

HEALTH LIAISON BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on 9 November 2016 commencing at 2.00 pm

Present: Cllr. Mrs. Bosley (Chairman)

Cllrs. Abraham, Dr. Canet, Clark, Dyball, McArthur and Parkin

14. Minutes

Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting held on 27 September 2016, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

15. Declarations of Interest

There were no additional declarations of interest.

CHANGE IN ORDER OF AGENDA ITEM

With the Board's agreement the Chairman took agenda item 3 after agenda item 5.

16. Update on Children's Centres and Early Help and Prevention

The Board welcomed Clare Ginn, Children's Centre Delivery Manager for Sevenoaks District who gave a presentation on the progress and updates of the Children's Centres in the District and how the centres link to the Early Help and Preventative services.

She advised that since the restructure there was now a single hub for the whole of the District that covered the five Children's Centres. Latest data showed that there were over 7,000 under fives in the District. There were three different elements to the services provided which included universal services, which were open for all under fives to use, such as stay and play groups. Targeted services were there for those families to meet additional needs, finally there were additional support services where there were designated Early Help workers who worked with families who had been identified as requiring low level additional support.

The Children's Centres services were a branch of the Early Help and Preventative Services. Early Help workers were allocated families which ranged from 0 - 19 years or 25 for those with special educational needs, where one to one support was required for outcomes to be reached. These were for the families who did not reach the threshold for Social Care.

In response to questions, the Children Centre Delivery Manager for Sevenoaks District advised that information regarding Children's Centres was not distributed to the Parishes but it was something that could be investigated. There was a new portal available where volunteering opportunities were being advertised. A

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concern was raised in the figures of registration and reached children known to Social Services in child protection and Children in Need. Members were advised that the Child protection were statutory targets and the reason that 2 cases had not been registered was as they fell outside of the District area. Children in Need was not a statutory requirement however plans were in place to review the processes to reach more of the registered children.

The Board were advised that all universal services were run across all of the Children's Centres in the District and the targeted services were run where the need had been identified. It was no longer a problem getting accurate data as the figures were now provided from the services.

Members expressed their thanks to the Children's Centre Delivery Manager.

17. Health and Planning

The Planning Policy Team Leader presented a report and gave a presentation on the relationship between Planning and Health and looked at how Planning Policy worked alongside Housing and Health to assist and improve the well being of residents of the District. The presentation covered the past, the present and the future of planning in its relationship between Health and Housing.

In response to a question the Planning Policy Team Leader advised that there was a District wide survey taking place, and there was a need for 2 and 3 bedroom houses. She advised that the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) could be requested for Medical needs. Meetings with the Planning Policy Team and the Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and other public bodies take place.

Members thanked the Planning Policy Team Leader for her attendance.

18. Updates from Members

Cllr. Clark reported that the New Ash Green town team had secured the skating ice rink once again on the 10 December 2016. Cllr. Dyball reported that she had compiled a list for loneliness. Cllr. Dr. Canet informed the Board that she had attended the launch of the 'A Breath of Fresh Air' report which was addressing climate change and air pollution together for Health.

Cllr. McArthur reported that she had attended a meeting on legislation following the announcement of Brexit. Concerns were raised in regards to the National Health System.

Cllr. Mrs. Bosley advised that she had attended the Kent Dementia Friendly Awards hosted by Kent County Council where the Council won the award for being a Dementia Friendly organisation. The Board thanked Officers for their hard work.

19. Work Plan

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Members discussed the work plan. It was agreed to remove Housing meeting the Health Needs of the Population and to include Licensing and how it contributes to the Health agenda, Loneliness, HealthWatch and Leisure Strategy to the Summer 2017 meeting.

THE MEETING WAS CONCLUDED AT 3.30 PM

CHAIRMAN

